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VOL. XV.

INTRODUCED BY A DEMOCRAT.

A Report From a Democratic Paper of Senator Butler's Meeting at Jackson.

MR. GAY'S SPEECH IN FULL

Mr. Gay in introducing Senator Butler declared that the Principles of the People's Party were the Principles of True Democracy. He applauded the Action of the People's Party in Expelling the Traitors to its Principles, and declared that "There can be no Democracy so long as we do not Admire Such Devotion to Principles."

We copy the following report of Mr. B. S. Gay's speech, introducing Senator Butler at Jackson, from the Patron and Gleaner. A synopsis of Mr. Gay's speech appeared in the last issue of THE CAUCASIAN, but the report in the Patron and Gleaner is fuller, and we, therefore, suppose nearer the exact words of the speaker. It is as follows:

"It may seem strange to some of you that a Democrat should be called upon to introduce to this vast audience the great leader of an opposite party. But fellow citizens, when you compare the principles of the Democratic and Populist parties you find that they proclaim the same doctrine, and denounce the same crime. They both advocate the free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold at the ratio of 16 to 1; they both denounce trusts and monopolies and 'government by injunction'; they both demand that the government should issue all the money and a sufficient quantity and insist upon government control of railroads at least. All true Populists and true Democrats are brethren. Of course I do not refer to Farmer Jeckles and a few others nor to the Coxites and Middle of the Roaders—these cannot be classified, unless their insignificance has caused them to escape the notice of scientists.

But such is the case, and undertakers in Raleigh have had quite a number of 'stiffs,' as they are called, to embalm and send to the institutions of learning since the passage of the act. Mr. John Brown last week sent the bodies of two negro women from the Goldsboro Insane Asylum, to the University of North Carolina, and he now has another negro woman, undergoing the embalming process, which he will send to the University to-morrow. She is from the penitentiary and died of consumption. All such bodies west of Goldsboro are sent to the college.

During the vacations the bodies are given to such physicians as may make application for them.

SENATOR BUTLER AT ROCKY MOUNT.

A Representative Audience From a Number of Adjoining Counties.

For THE CAUCASIAN.

Rocky Mount, Oct. 15, 1897.

This afternoon Senator Butler arrived on the old train from the south. A large and representative audience from three or four adjoining counties were waiting to hear him, and he was greeted with a cheer much shorter than usual. He was introduced in a very happy and complimentary speech by Captain J. M. Dutcher, of the local militia, and then, for an hour, he addressed the audience.

DIFFERENTIAL TARIFF.

The Seaboard Announces Lower Rates—First Road to Adopt the Method.

NORFOLK, Va., Oct. 14.—The Seaboard Air Line has published a differential passenger fare, which supercedes the present tariff and makes a decided reduction from the old rates.

This line is the first road in the country to adopt a method of differential rates for the purpose of equalizing rates for the purpose of equalizing rates.

The rates go in effect October 25th.

Government Ownership of Railways.

Washington Post.

Minister Leishman in a dispatch to the State Department gives an account of the attempt that is being made to secure government ownership of railways in Switzerland.

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The average wages paid skilled male operatives (exclusive of machine operators, engineers, firemen, and superintendents) are \$1.11 per day; for unskilled, 66 1/4 cents; skilled women, 67 cents; unskilled, 40 cents; children, 34 cents, the general average being 65 cents a day for 1897, against 62 cents a day for 1896. Of the mills reporting, 93 per cent. report an increase in wages, 31 per cent. report no change, and 1 per cent. report a decrease; 54 per cent. charge operatives house rent, while 46 per cent. make no charge. The hours of labor average 11 1/2. The mills were in operation on an average last year 288 days.

ABUNDANT HELP.

There appears to be an abundance of mill labor in the State. There is no antagonism between the employer and the employed. The employees are better satisfied than any other class in the State, and the general average of the hours of labor being settled by the personal supervision of the mill owners, and neither class favors legislation, for in answer to inquiries on this point only 5 per cent. are in favor of legislation. There are no strikes, favoritism, disaffection, or any other evils. Nine out of ten of the mill labor report sufficient religious advantages for employees. Almost all the mills have churches for their employees, and in a great many cases officers and holders of mills are leaders of churches in Sunday schools. The pastors of such mill churches are better paid than those of country churches, or in some cases, even better than those of city churches. As to the financial condition of operatives only 5 per cent. of the reports say it is bad. The percentage of children employed in mills who can read and write has increased from 60 to 82 per cent. to 88 per cent. this year.

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If a President, or a Governor, would maintain and defend the Constitution and enforce the laws, disregard the Constitution and laws in dealing with any alleged law breakers, he sets an example which naturally leads to lynching.

The process of lynching by Federal and State authorities at Chicago, Hseltz, Peabodias and elsewhere in the nature of official lynching. Government by injunction and contempt; fine and imprisonment without a hearing or trial, and the shooting down of unarmed men on the public streets and highways, &c., are all varieties of lynching. But, it is alleged, these men were violating the law. That is in itself a crime, and it is held that they were simply exercising their most sacred and essential rights, even if some ruffians in the crowd (said to be emigrants of the corporation) did do deeds of violence. In these official lynchings, the offenses, at most, were against property, and in no degree justifying the arbitration destruction of life and liberty.

A Very Large Library in Mitchell County.

A private library in Mitchell county, owned by an ex-professor of Harvard (Mass.) university, is said to contain 50,000 volumes. These are very great library for a private citizen. Mr. Gladstone had a library reported to be of huge size—placed in the room which was left as a public library, we think, for the purpose of housing the books of the more public home. A library of 30,000 volumes would probably fill all the rooms and halls of one of Wilmington's large residences. The late Henry Thomas Buckle had a library of 30,000 volumes and it filled his halls, staircase and most of his rooms.

If the care of the hair were made a part of a lady's education, we should not see so many gray heads, and the use of Hall's Hair Renewer would be unnecessary.

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THE GOVERNOR AND FREE PASSES.

An Interview With Governor Russell in Which he Makes a Frank, Open and Clear Statement About

THE FREE PASS BUSINESS.

The Whole State Knows That the Railroads Have not Influenced him by This Means. He Thinks the Free Pass Business an Evil, and is in Favor of Enforcing the Law. He Sees No Reason to Issue Free Passes. That he will use all his influence to put a stop to a practice which he considers a crime.

The Railroad organs have been hounding much to say about the Governor's riding on the Southern, the Seaboard and other railroads on a free pass. A little news-finger at Raleigh, in trying to earn his hire, sent out a stupid lie about the Governor's being ashamed of his free pass.

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